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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Chi-An Kao et al.

Examiner: Khiem D. Nguyen

For: CONSTANT AND REDUCIBLE
HOLE BOTTOM CD IN
VARIABLE POST-CMP
THICKNESS AND AFTER-
DEVELOPMENT-INSPECTION
CD

Group Art Unit: 2823

Confirmation No. 8153

Serial No.: 10/661,793

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED
EXAMINATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.114**

Filed: 09/12/2003

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Dear Sir:

This is a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on December 5, 2006.
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.
- iii. ☐ Other: _____.
- b. ☐ Enclosed

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- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
 ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

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2. Filing Fees

Description	Fee Code	Claims	Extra	Rate	Fee
RCE Fee	1801				\$790.
Independent Claims	1201	4 - 3 =	1 x	\$200=	\$200.
Total Claims	1202	10 - 20=	0 x	\$50=	\$0.

Fees Due\$990.

3. Payment of Fees

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees necessary to give effect to this filing and to credit any overpayment of fees which may be required under 37 CFR §1.16 and §1.17, to Deposit Account No. 04-1679, referencing Atty. Docket No. TS01-1037 N1085-90149. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed for this purpose.

4. Additional fees: Request for Extension of Time for two (2) months from December 5, 2006 to February 5, 2007 pursuant to 37 CFR §1.17(a)(3), (Fee Code 1253)... \$450. (filed separately in duplicate herein)

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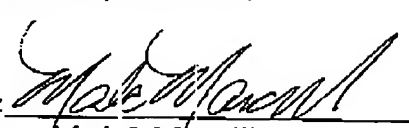
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6. Other documents enclosed herewith:

☒ Petition for Extension of Time (in duplicate)

Respectfully submitted,

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